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PATENT

Attorney Docket No. 2356.0014-09

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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R. D. Brown

In re Application of:)

Luc MONTAGNIER et al.)

Serial No. 08/470,489)

Group Art Unit: 1813

Filed: June 6, 1995)

Examiner: Jeffrey S. Parkin, Ph.D.

For: RETROVIRUS CAPABLE OF
CAUSING AIDS, MEANS AND
METHOD FOR DETECTING IT
IN VITRO)Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

In response to the July 9, 1996, Final Office Action (Paper No. 9), Applicants propose amending the present application as follows. As a response to the Office Action was originally due on October 9, 1996, Applicants file herewith a Petition for a three-month extension of time and a \$930.00 check covering the extension of time fee.

Please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 42-49, 52-59, and 62-70 as follows:

42. (Twice Amended) A method of detecting HIV-2 retrovirus [RNA] nucleic acid in a biological sample, said method comprising:

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